

Growing Closer to Christ

With Fr. Stu Pinette

February 26, March 12th & 26th

6:00 p.m. Soup and dinner; 6:30 p.m. discussion
in Fr. Picher Hall

“The celebration of the season of Lent is an ancient Christian practice. For forty days leading up to the Paschal Triduum, we strive to free ourselves from all kinds of clutter—material and spiritual—in order to focus on God and turn back to him with our whole hearts.

If this ‘turning back’ is genuine, it will be a reorientation, a transformation. It will bring about a real change in our lives. God has never wanted our empty devotions or blind rule-following. He desires and requires so much more. God wants our very hearts to be turned with love toward him and toward one another.

To help us enter into this Lenten season of transformation, we will reflect together upon three key moments in the life and ministry of Jesus. We will explore two passages from the Gospel of Mark (which was probably the first gospel written) and one from the Gospel of John (which was probably the last gospel written). Reflecting together on Jesus’ words and example, we will gain a better understanding of God’s most earnest desire that each of us embrace an authentic transformation, that as individuals and as a community we learn to live God’s own outward-looking, self emptying, laying-down-one’s life kind of love.”

JOIN US!

Gather and
explore
your Faith



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Christ

**Join us as we grow together
towards Easter**

**February 18, 2026 to
April 5, 2026**

**Sacred Heart Church
Bloomfield, CT**



Schedule of Events

Ash Wednesday

February 18, 2026
Mass at 8:00 am, 12:10 p.m.
& 7:00 p.m.

Daily Mass

In church 8:00 a.m.—Monday through Friday



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 7:00 p.m.



On-going Collections:

Operation Rice Bowl
Non-perishable food items for food bank

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Three Thursdays: February 26, March 12 & 26
6:00 Soup And.. 6:30 p.m. Discussion

Special Outreach Collection

Cathedral Pantry

February 18th to March 1st
(Bathroom towels/any size)

March 2nd to 15th
(Baby Diapers & Baby Wipes)

March 16th to March 29th
(Bar Soap & Hand/Body Lotion)

Confessions

Every Monday throughout the Archdiocese
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Adoration

Tuesdays 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.



Palm Sunday

March 29th
“Joyful procession” at 10:15 mass
Collect Rice Bowls at Mass



The Sacred Triduum

April 2nd—Holy Thursday

Mass at 7:00 PM followed by Holy Hour
And Night Prayer until 9:30 p.m.

April 3—Good Friday

Stations (Outside) at 12:00 p.m.
Good Friday Liturgy at 3:00 p.m.

April 4th-Easter Vigil

Decorating Crosses
Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.

April 5th—Easter Sunday

Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

